



KINGS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Kings County Community Development Agency invites public review and comment on the environmental documents listed below. The public review period begins on March 19, 2021, and ends on April 22, 2021. Written comments concerning the adequacy of the documents will be accepted until 5:00 P.M. on April 22, 2021, at the Kings County Community Development Agency, at the Kings County Government Center, Engineering Building No. 6, 1400 W. Lacey Boulevard, Hanford, CA 93230. The documents are posted in the County Clerk's office and are also available at the Kings County Community Development Agency. If you would like to request an electronic copy of a document then please contact Chuck Kinney, with the Community Development Agency, at (559) 852-2674, or by email at Chuck.Kinney@co.kings.ca.us.

INITIAL STUDIES PROPOSED AS MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS:

1. **Conditional Use Permit No. 19-10 (Kings County Public Works)** – The applicant is proposing to construct a new fire station, fire department office, fire administrative offices, fire training facility, living quarters and an emergency operations center (EOC) in an approximately 9,900 sq. ft. building. The project site is located on the northeast corner of Highway 43 and Houston Avenue, Hanford, Assessors Parcel Numbers 016-130-085 & 067.
2. **Conditional Use Permit No. 20-02 (Westlands Grape Solar)** - The applicant is proposing to establish an approximately 250 megawatt (MW) alternating current (AC) solar photovoltaic (PV) generating farm, including the construction of an electrical substation, a battery energy storage facility, an Operations and Maintenance (O&M) facility, access driveways and electrical interconnection/gen-tie line on approximately 1,759 acres of agricultural land in the unincorporated Kings County, California. The project site is to be located on the north side of Nevada Avenue, approximately one-half mile west of SR-41, Assessor's Parcel Numbers 026-320-010, -011, -021, -022, -023, -024, -025, -026, -027, -028; 026-330-032, -033, -034, -035, -036, -037, -055 and 026-330-057.

The Kings County Planning Commission will hold a special public hearing by teleconference to consider the environmental documents for the proposed projects that are listed above. The special public hearing will be tentatively held on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 12:45 P.M. Instructions on how to participate will be posted with the Special Planning Commission meeting agenda at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009, subdivision (b), if you challenge Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 19-10 (Kings County Public Works) or CUP No. 20-02 (Westlands Grape Solar) in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the special public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Kings County Planning Commission at, or prior to, the special public hearing. Interested parties are invited to appear by teleconference and present evidence or make statements of fact regarding the proposed projects. For more information regarding the proposed projects please call Chuck Kinney, of the Kings County Community Development Agency, at (559) 852-2674.

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